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## WE CLAIM:

patient programmer, a method for patient-directed therapy 1 2

management for a medical device comprised of:

accessing at least one preset clinician therapy program stored in the medical device:

creating at least one personalized therapy program from the accessed preset

6 clinician therapy program;

storing the personalized therapy program in the medical device; and

8 executing at least one personalized therapy program.

The method for patient directed therapy management of claim 1 wherein the personalized therapy program comprises at least one personalized therapy setting.

- The method for patient directed therapy management of claim 2 wherein 3. 1
- 2 the personalized therapy settings are comprise of at least one of an amplitude, a rate, a
- 3 pulse width, a pulse frequency, electrode polarities, or a directional sequence.
- The method for patient directed therapy management of claim 2 wherein 1 4.
- 2 the patient programmer executes a personalized therapy algorithm.
  - 5. The method for patient directed therapy management of claim 2 wherein
- the patient programmer executes a timing algorithm. 2

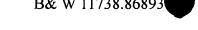
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| 1 | 6. The method for patient directed therapy management claim 2 wherein the                                                                                         |
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| 2 | medical device and the patient programmer communicate via telemetry.                                                                                              |
| 1 | 7. The method for patient directed therapy management of claim 2 wherein                                                                                          |
| 2 | the medical device is an implantable neuro stimulator.                                                                                                            |
| 1 | 8. The method for patient directed therapy management claim 2 wherein the                                                                                         |
| 2 | medical device is an external neuro stimulator                                                                                                                    |
|   | The method for patient directed therapy management of claim 2 wherein the medical device is selected from the group consisting of a pacemaker, a defibrillator, a |
| 3 | cochlear implant, an implantable diagnostic device, and an implantable pump.                                                                                      |
| 1 | 10. A patient directed therapy management system comprising in                                                                                                    |
| 2 | combination:                                                                                                                                                      |
| 3 | a medical device comprising a telemetry block and memory with at least one                                                                                        |
| 4 | preset clinician therapy program; and                                                                                                                             |
| 5 | a patient programmer comprising a telemetry block, the patient programmer able                                                                                    |
| 6 | to allow creation of at least one personal therapy program, and storage and execution of a                                                                        |

least one personalized therapy program in the medical device.

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- The patient directed therapy management system of claim 10 wherein the
- 2 personalized therapy program comprises at least one personalized therapy settings.
- 1 12.\ The patient directed therapy management system of claim 11 wherein the
- 2 personalized therapy settings are comprised of at least one of an amplitude, a rate, a
- pulse width, a pulse frequency, electrode polarities, or a directional sequence.
- 1 13. The patient directed therapy management system of claim 11 wherein the
- 2 patient programmer executes a personalized therapy algorithm.
- 1 14. The patient directed therapy management system of claim 11 wherein the
- 2 patient programmer executes a timing algorithm.
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- 15. The patient directed therapy management system of claim 13 or 14
- 2 wherein the patient uses the graphical display screen and input medium to create and
- 3 store the personalized therapy programs.
- 2 Opedical device and the patient programmer communicate via telemetry.
- 1 17. The patient directed therapy management system of claim 11 wherein the
- 2 medical device is an implantable neuro stimulator.



- The patient directed therapy management system of claim 11 wherein the 1 2 medical device is an external neuro stimulator.
  - 19. he patient directed therapy management system of claim 11 wherein the medical device is selected from the group consisting of a pacemaker, a defibrillator, a cochlear/implant, an implantable diagnostic device, and an implantable pump.
- patient programmer for patient directed therapy management 1 2 comprising in combination:
- 3 an input medium;
- 4 a telemetry block; and
- 5 a controller able to create at least one personalized therapy program and store at
- 6 least one personalized therapy program in a medical device.
- The patient programmer of claim 20 wherein the personalized therapy program domprises at least one personalized therapy setting.
- 1 22. The patient programmer of claim 21 wherein the personalized therapy
- 2 setting are comprised of at least one of an amplitude, a rate pulse width, a pulse
- 3 frequency, electrode polarities, or a directional sequence.

The patient programmer of claim 21 wherein the computer instructions 23. executed by the patient programmer are a personalized therapy algorithm.

The patient programmer of claim 21 wherein the executed computer instructions are a timing algorithm.

The patient programmer of claim 23 or 24 wherein the patient uses a graphical screen interface and input medium to create and store the personalized therapy

- 3 programs.
- The patient programmer of claim 21 wherein the medical device and the patient programmer communicate via telemetry.
- 1 27. The patient programmer of claim 21 wherein the medical device is an 2 implantable neuro stimulator.
- 1 28. The patient directed therapy management system of claim 21 wherein the 2 medical device is an external neuro stimulator.

The patient directed therapy management system of claim 17 wherein the medical device is a medical device selected from the group consisting of a pacemaker, defibrillator, a cochlear implant, an implantable diagnostic devices, and an implantable pump.

| 1 | 30. A patient programmer comprising:                                           |
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| 2 | an input medium;                                                               |
| 3 | a means, connected to the input medium, for creating at least one personalized |
| 4 | therapy program; and                                                           |
| 5 | a communication means, connected to the means for creating, for storing and    |
| 6 | executing at least one personalized therapy program in a medical device.       |